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"So the Word became human... and we have seen His Glory" Jn.1:14

What a blessing to be home and to celebrate Christmas with our family and friends! We are so thankful that Jesus identified himself with us in order to rescue us from God's wrath and grant us the right to be a part in the Body of Christ! Beautiful things happen when we work as a team!

Because of His example of obedience and His strength given to us to do the same, we can look back in amazement at His power at work in and through us!

Two years ago, we took a great step of faith, as we sought to take the gospel to the unreached villages of the forgotten region of Dobrogea, on the southeastern border of Romania.

In just two years, we can report to you that the Word of God has been preached to all the towns surrounding the Baneasa Community Center, which we built last year! A number of teams joined us in the work, as many souls were touched with the transforming power of the Word of God! "We are better together!"

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE...A CHURCH!

While we are itinerating, our BCC team continues the ministry, both at the Baneasa Community Center and in the building project of the church in Cuigiuc! Our prayers go up daily for Stefan, Ana, Lidia and Tim!

The construction team is working hard to have the church ready so they can begin meetings before Christmas!

What a great Christmas gift this building will be to the community! This will be a place where people will find Jesus but at the same time, it will be the only place in the village where they will be able to use the running water for their needs, receive medical care, learn how to read and write and have someone listen to their concerns and offer them the much needed reassurance, hope and encouragement!



Fastforward glimpse into the next term

As we shared in our previous newsletters, our journey has been a constant reassurance of God's presence through many miracles, words of encouragement and renewed strength, as we stood amazed at the hunger and great response to the message of hope throughout the region!

Yet one need remains constant, the need for more workers and churches! When we return for the next term, we will need to address both those needs!

Our vision is to plant at least three more churches in the towns of Ostrov, Coslugea and Canlia! These are village where we have already ministered, gave out bibles and made contacts. There is a great sense of readiness for discipleship and training in these communities!

Will you pray and partner with us towards reaching this goal?

Our prayer requests are as follow:

1. For churches and individuals to become aware of the need and partner with us to raise 50,000 dollars for each of the three church plants. Pray also that our monthly budget will be raised in time for our return.
2. For the workers who will be joining our team for reaching the lost and training leaders.
3. Pray that God will continue to remove all the obstacles in our path as we advance in enlarging His kingdom.
4. Pray for our team who is working hard at this time to prepare for the evangelism events with the help of Operation Christmas Child gifts for kids. Eight hundred shoe boxes will be given to the children in the region and hundreds more will be given the opportunity to receive the greatest gift of all!

Thank you for giving us the privilege to serve in this amazing calling and allowing us to share the love of Jesus with those who never heard! Nothing gives us more satisfaction than rescuing souls for God's Kingdom!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Please give us a call if you would like for us to come and tell you more about the exciting things that God is doing in Romania during these days of great harvest!

Below is a list of items we are collecting for the Baneasa Community Center. Please let us know if you would like to participate.

CHILDREN:

***School supplies:** colored pencils, crayons, water colors, markers, pencil sharpeners, erasers, construction paper, glue, scotch tape, white board markers, spiral notebooks, Christian story books, gift bags, stickers, play dough, toys for prizes, kids puzzles, candy, animal balloons, socks, underwear, shoes, guitars (for learning), lego.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY:

Shower gel, deodorants, soap, lotions. sewing kits, crochet needles, yarn, sewing material, cooking utensils, towels

MEDICAL CLINIC: Medicine bags, lice shampoo, antifungal cream, kids Tylenol, Nyquil, Dayquil Abdominal binders, back braces, Triple antibiotic ointment, reading glasses, etc.